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WHOLE EGGS, INVITATION NO. 16, ANNOUNCEMENT PY-257-FINAL REQUIREMENTS

The U.S. Department of Agriculture invites offers to sell whole eggs as indicated below and per the Announcement for use in school lunch and other domestic food nutrition assistance programs. Offers are due by 12 noon, Central Time, Monday, Feb. 24. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, Friday, Feb. 28. Deliveries are to be made from April 16 to April 30. Purchase of the quantities listed on this invitation will complete current requirements.

All offers must be submitted electronically through the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) website at <a href="https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe?">https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe?</a>. Offers submitted by any means other than DEBES will be considered nonresponsive.

Bidders are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver in accordance with the contract. Shipping instructions will indicate quantity to be delivered to each point.

Inquiries about Announcement PY-257, Appendix-1, the Commodity Specification for Whole Eggs dated May 2000, as amended, or this Invitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Poultry Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0260, 1400 Independence Ave., SW, Washington, D.C. 20250, telephone (202) 720-7693. An electronic version of this Invitation can be obtained through the world wide web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp.

Purchases of the commodities listed below will be made on a delivered basis, subject to Announcement PY-257, to the listed locations. Destination quantities are estimates and are subject to adjustment based on offerings, changes in recipient need, market conditions, and program operations. Delivery by mechanically refrigerated trucks or railcars is optional to the contractor, except for those destination(s) which specify delivery by truck only or rail only.

Five-pound cartons (082065) - Frozen homogenized whole eggs with a color stabilizer packaged 5 pounds (2.27 kg) net weight in a pitcher-pour type, polyethylene-coated paperboard carton, and packed six 5-pound (2.27 kg) cartons per fiberboard shipping container with 30 pounds (13.61 kg) net weight. A purchase unit will consist of 1,334 shipping containers totaling 40,020 pounds (18,153 kg).

ANNOUNCEMENT : PY257 INVITATION : 016

COMM GROUP : 08 EGGS, FROZEN

COMM TYPE : 20 EGGS, WHOLE, FROZEN

PACK SIZE : 65 6/5 LB CTN

| ITEM DESTIN    | DESTINATION |              | QUANTITY |
|----------------|-------------|--------------|----------|
| NO CITY        | ST          | RESTR        | (LBS)    |
|                |             |              |          |
| DELIVERY PERIO | 04/16/03    | 3 - 04/30/03 | 3        |
|                |             |              |          |
| 001 INDEPENDEN | ICE MO      |              | 440,220  |
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| TOTAL QUANTITY | FOR COMMOD  | DITY TYPE    | 440,220  |
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| TOTAL QUANTITY | FOR INVITA  | ATION        | 440,220  |

Catherine V. Smith Contracting Officer

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